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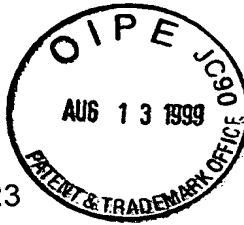


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Sir,

It is respectfully requested that the following documents, as listed below and on the accompanying form PTO-1449, be considered and made of record:

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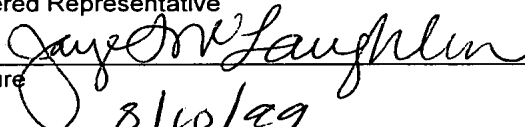
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